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## "FORMER GREENACRES RESIDENT INDICTED FOR FILING FALSE TAX RETURNS"

Spokane – Today, James A. McDevitt, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Washington, announced that a federal grand jury returned a three count indictment against Andy James, formerly known as Andrew James Hensley, age 38, a former resident of Greenacres, Washington. The Indictment against Andy James charges three counts of filing fraudulent income tax returns. The Indictment alleges that Andy James filed fraudulent claims for refund in the amount of \$5,689 for the year 2001, \$9,596 for the year 2002, and \$17,606 for the year 2003.

Andy James was arraigned today on the charges and released on conditions which allow him to travel from his current residence in Nevada to attend court in the Eastern District of Washington.

Each count carries a maximum penalty of 5-years in prison, a \$250,000 fine, up to 3-years of court supervision after release and restitution.

The case was investigated by Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation and is being prosecuted by Russell Smoot, Assistant United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Washington.

An Indictment Contains Allegations That a Defendant Has Committed a Crime. Every Defendant Is Presumed Innocent until and Unless Proven Guilty Beyond a Reasonable Doubt.